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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1741

PATENT

Attorney Docket Number – 1060A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Terrell Neils Andersen et al.	)	
		)	Art Unit: 1741
Serial No.:	09/610,821	)	
		)	Examiner: Arun S. Phasge
Filing Date:	July 6, 2000	)	
		)	Confirmation No. 5412
Priority Date:	December 21, 1998	)	
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For:	HIGH DISCHARGE CAPACITY	)	
	ELECTROLYTIC MANGANESE	)	
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	PRODUCING THE SAME	)	

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

**Response to Final Action**

Sir:

In response to the Final Action mailed on December 31, 2002, the Applicants, through their attorney, responds as follows:

**REMARKS**

The arguments presented herein relate solely to the subject matter of the pending claims and the grounds for rejection advanced by the Examiner with respect to such claims. The arguments are not to be taken as addressing any issue or as taking a particular position in respect of the claims of any co-pending applications.

In the Final Action, the Examiner rejected the pending claims on the same basis and reasoning as set forth in the Official Action dated July 8, 2002. Thus, pending claims 17-25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b).